# Linear Regression with Multiple Variables

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#### **Notation:**

n: number of features (n =4 in the above)

 $\mathbf{x}^{(i)}$ : input (features) of  $i^{th}$  training example

$$x^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1416 \\ 3 \\ 2 \\ 40 \end{bmatrix}$$

 $x_i^{(i)}$ : value of feature j in  $i^{th}$  training example

$$x_3^{(3)}=2$$



- Hypothesis (one variable)
- Hypothesis (Multiple variables)
  - $h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \theta_3 x_3 + \theta_4 x_4$ 
    - e.g.  $h_{\theta}(x) = 90 + 0.2x_1 + 0.03x_2 + 2x_3 3x_4$



- Multivariate linear regression

  - For convenience of notation, define  $x_0 = 1$ . (i.e.  $x_0^{(i)} = 1$ ).

$$\mathbf{z} = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} \in R^{n+1} , \qquad \theta = \begin{bmatrix} \theta_0 \\ \theta_1 \\ \theta_2 \\ \vdots \\ \theta_n \end{bmatrix} \in R^{n+1}$$

$$h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_0 x_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \theta_3 x_3 + \theta_4 x_4$$

$$= \theta^T x$$

$$= x^T \theta$$



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# Gradient Descent for Multiple Variables

#### Hypothesis

#### Parameters

$$\theta = [\theta_0, \theta_1, \cdots, \theta_n]^T \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$$

#### Cost function

$$I(\theta) = J(\theta_0, \theta_1, \dots, \theta_n) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$

#### Gradient descent

Repeat {

$$\theta_j \leftarrow \theta_j - \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} J(\theta)$$

} (simultaneously update for every j = 0,1,2,...,n)





- One variable (n = 1)
- Repeat {

$$\theta_{0} \leftarrow \theta_{0} - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})$$

$$\theta_{1} \leftarrow \theta_{1} - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) x^{(i)}$$

(Update for  $\theta_0$  and  $\theta_1$  simultaneously)

- Mutiple  $(n \ge 1)$
- Repeat {

$$\theta_j \leftarrow \theta_j - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left( h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)} \right) x_j^{(i)}$$

(Update  $\theta_i$  for every

$$j = 0,1,2,...,n$$
 simultaneously)  $x_0^{(i)} = 1$ 

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$$\theta_0 \leftarrow \theta_0 - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) x_0^{(i)}$$

$$\theta_1 \leftarrow \theta_1 - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) x_1^{(i)}$$

$$\theta_2 \leftarrow \theta_2 - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) x_2^{(i)}$$



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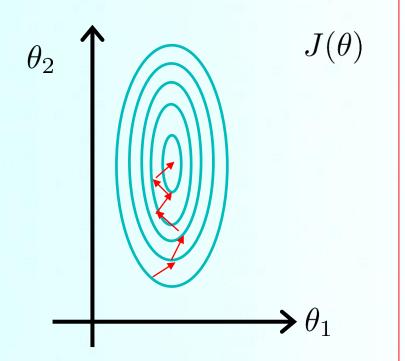
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## **Feature Scaling**

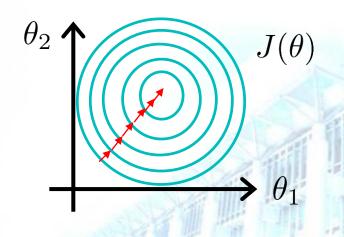
Idea: Make sure features are on a similar scale

- $x_1 = \text{size } (0 2000 \text{ feet}^2)$
- $x_2$  = number of bedrooms (1 5)



$$x_1 = \frac{\text{size (feet}^2)}{2000}$$

- $x_2 = \frac{\text{number of bedrooms}}{5}$
- $0 \le x_1, x_2 \le 1$
- Making gradient descent converge much faster





## **Feature Scaling**

#### Feature Scaling

- Get every feature into approximately  $-1 \le x_1$ ,  $x_2 \le 1$  range.
- Given  $x_0 = 1$ ,
  - $0 \le x_1 \le 3 \implies OK$
  - $-2 \le x_2 \le 0.5$  → OK
  - $-100 \le x_2 \le 100$  → change
  - $-0.0001 \le x_2 \le 0.0001 \Rightarrow$  change



## **Feature Scaling**

#### Mean Normalization

- Replace  $x_i$  with  $x_i \mu_i$  to make features have approximately zero mean
  - One of apply to  $x_0 = 1$ .
- For example,

$$x_1 = \frac{\text{size} - 100}{2000}, \ x_2 = \frac{\text{# of bedrooms} - 2}{5}$$

$$-0.5 \le x_1, x_2 \le 0.5$$

$$x_1 \leftarrow \frac{x_1 - \mu_1}{S_1}$$

- $\mu_1$ : average value of  $x_1$
- $S_1$ 
  - Either Range of  $x_1$  (max-min) or Standard deviation of  $x_1$

- $\mu_2$ : average value of  $x_2$
- $S_2$ 
  - Either Range of  $x_2$  (max-min) or Standard deviation of  $x_2$



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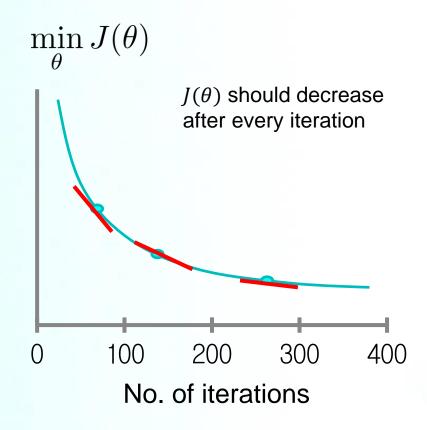
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- - "Debugging"
    - How to make sure gradient descent is working correctly
  - **I** How to choose learning rate  $\alpha$



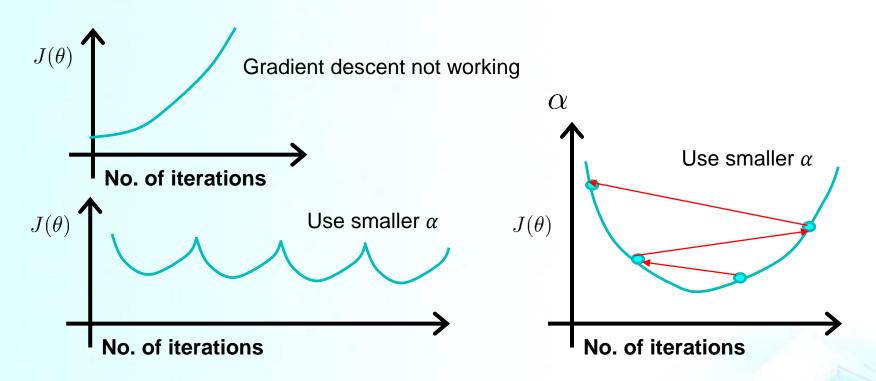
Making sure gradient descent is working correctly



Declare convergence if  $J(\theta)$  decreases by less than  $\varepsilon = 10^{-3}$  in one iteration.



Making sure gradient descent is working correctly



- For sufficiently small  $\alpha$ ,  $J(\theta)$  should decrease on every iteration.
  - But if  $\alpha$  is too small, gradient descent can be slow to converge.



#### Summary

- Too small  $\alpha$ 
  - Slow convergence
- **Too large**  $\alpha$ 
  - Most of times,  $J(\theta)$  may not decrease on every iteration
  - $I(\theta)$  may not converge
  - (Sometimes, slow convergence is also possible.)
- To choose  $\alpha$ , try

**...**, 0.001, 0.003, 0.01, 0.03, 0.1, 0.3, 1, ...





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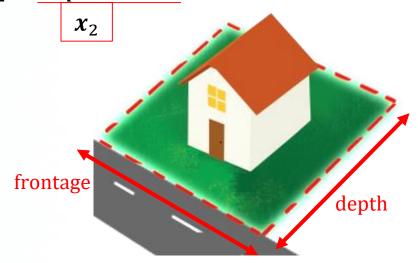
# **Housing Prices Prediction**

#### Two features

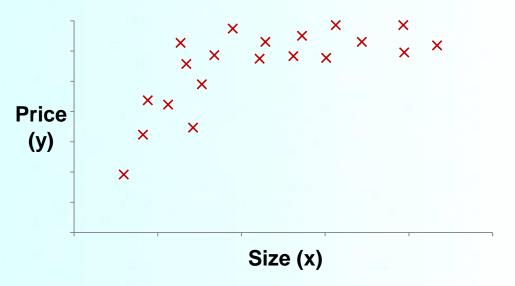
 $h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 \times frontage + \theta_2 \times depth$ 

 $\boldsymbol{x}_1$ 

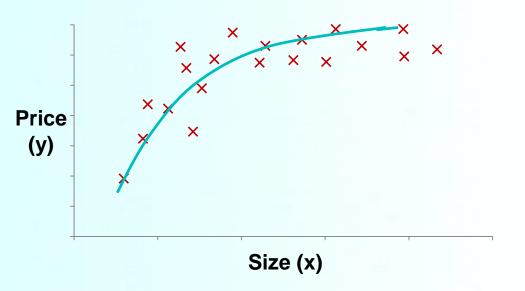
- (New) One feature
  - Area x = frontage\*depth





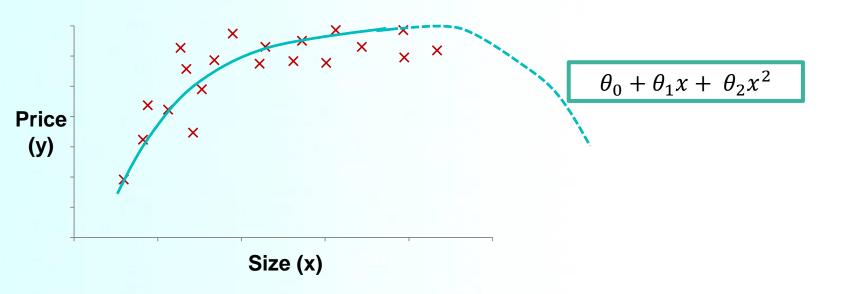




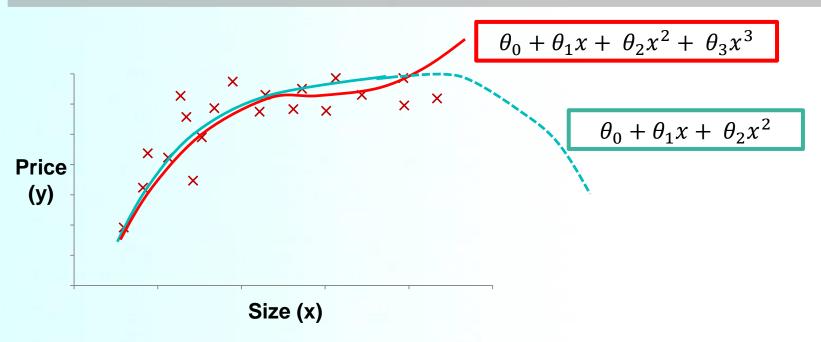


$$\theta_0 + \theta_1 x + \theta_2 x^2$$



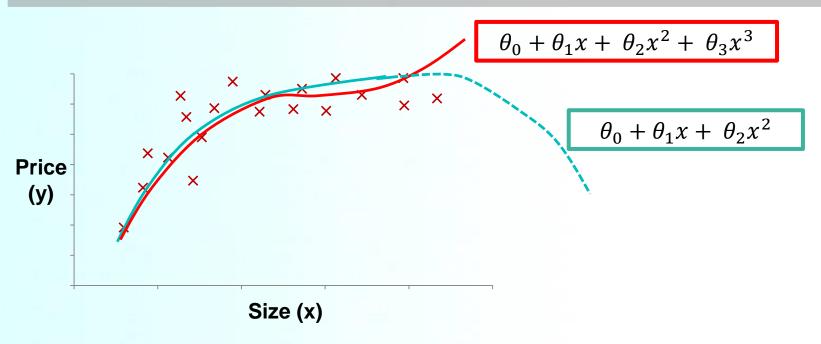






 $h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \theta_3 x_3 = \theta_0 + \theta_1 (size) + \theta_2 (size)^2 + \theta_3 (size)^3$   $x_1 = (size), \ x_2 = (size)^2, \ x_3 = (size)^3$ 

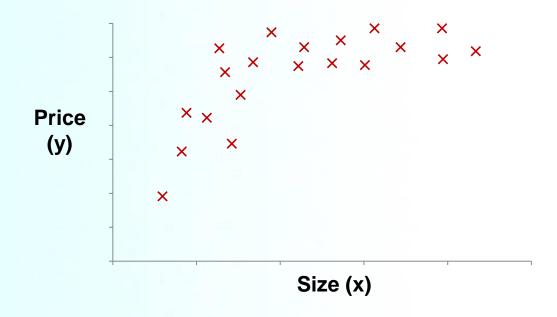




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- Feature scaling is necessary
  - size: 1-1,000 (ft<sup>2</sup>)  $\rightarrow$  size<sup>2</sup>: 1~10<sup>6</sup>, size<sup>3</sup>: 1~10<sup>9</sup>

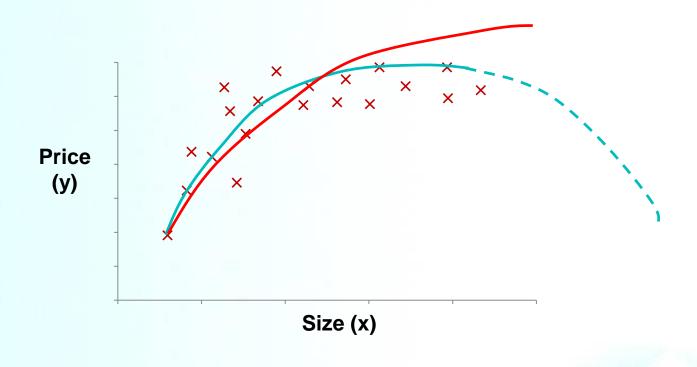


# **Choice of Features**





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$$h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1(size) + \theta_2(size)^2$$

$$h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1(size) + \theta_2 \sqrt{size}$$



## **Extending Linear Regression**

- Extending Linear Regression to More Complex Models
  - The inputs  $\boldsymbol{x}$  for linear regression can be:
    - Original quantitative inputs
    - Transformation of quantitative inputs
      - log, exp, square root, square, etc.
    - Polynomial transformation

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot x_1 + \beta_2 \cdot x_2 + \beta_3 \cdot x_3$$

- Basis expansions
- Dummy coding of categorical inputs
- Interactions btw variables
  - $\triangleright$  example:  $x_3 = x_1 \cdot x_2$

→ This allows use of linear regression techniques to fit non-linear datasets



#### **Linear Basis Function Models**

Generally,

$$h_{\theta}(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{n} \theta_{j} \emptyset_{j}(x)$$
 Basis function

Typically,  $\emptyset_0(x) = 1$  so that  $\theta_0$  acts as a bias

In the simplest case, we use linear basis functions:

$$\emptyset_j(\mathbf{x}) = x_j$$



#### **Linear Basis Function Models**

Polynomial basis functions

$$\emptyset_j(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^j$$

Gaussian basis functions

$$\emptyset_j(\mathbf{x}) = exp\left\{-\frac{\left(x - \mu_j\right)^2}{2s^2}\right\}$$

Sigmoidal basis functions

$$\emptyset_j(\mathbf{x}) = \sigma\left(\frac{\mathbf{x} - \mu_j}{S}\right)$$

where 
$$\sigma(a) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-a)}$$





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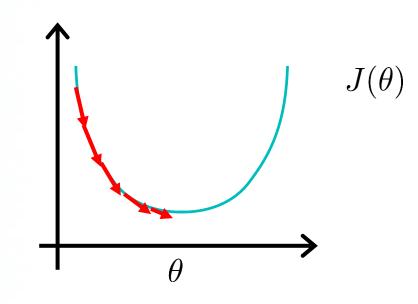
# **Normal Equation**

- $\blacksquare$  A least-square solution  $\tilde{v}$  to Av = w

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- $\tilde{v}$  is a solution to the normal equation  $A^TAv = A^Tw$ 
  - $\tilde{v} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T w$





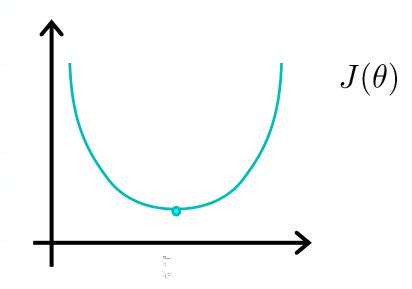


# **Normal Equation**

- Normal equation
  - Method to solve for  $\theta$  analytically
- $\blacksquare$  If  $\theta \in R$

$$I(\theta) = a\theta^2 + b\theta + c$$

Solve for  $\theta$ 



- If  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ 
  - $I(\theta_0, \theta_1, \dots, \theta_n) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left( h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) y^{(i)} \right)^2$
  - Set  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} J(\theta) = \dots = 0$  (for every j)
    - Solve for  $\theta_0$ ,  $\theta_1$ ,  $\cdots$ ,  $\theta_n$





## **Normal Equation**

- $\blacksquare \text{ If } \theta \in R^{n+1}$ 
  - $I(\theta_0, \theta_1, \dots, \theta_n) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left( h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) y^{(i)} \right)^2$

where 
$$\theta = \begin{bmatrix} \theta_0 \\ \theta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \theta_n \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $X = \begin{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x^{(1)} \end{pmatrix}^T \\ \begin{pmatrix} x^{(2)} \end{pmatrix}^T \\ \vdots \\ \begin{pmatrix} x^{(m)} \end{pmatrix}^T \end{bmatrix}$  (design matrix),  $x^{(i)} = \begin{bmatrix} x_0^{(i)} \\ x_1^{(i)} \\ x_2^{(i)} \\ \vdots \\ x_n^{(i)} \end{bmatrix}$ 

$$\rightarrow \theta = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$$



# **Example**

M = 4

 $\left[x^{(2)}\right]^T$ 

		Size (feet <sup>2</sup> )	Number of Bedrooms	Number of Floors	Age of home (years)	Price (\$1000)
a	¢ <sub>0</sub>	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	y
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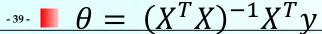
# **Example**

m = 5

	Size (feet <sup>2</sup> )	Number of Bedrooms	Number of Floors	Age of home (years)	Price (\$1000)
$x_0$	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$\boldsymbol{y}$
1	2104	5	1	45	460
1	1416	3	2	40	232
1	1534	3	2	30	315
1	852	2	1	36	178
1	3000	4	1	38	540

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2104 & 5 & 1 & 45 \\ 1 & 1416 & 3 & 2 & 40 \\ 1 & 1534 & 3 & 2 & 30 \\ 1 & 852 & 2 & 1 & 36 \\ 1 & 3000 & 4 & 1 & 38 \end{bmatrix} \in R^{5 \times (n+1)} \qquad y = \begin{bmatrix} 460 \\ 232 \\ 315 \\ 178 \\ 540 \end{bmatrix}$$







## **Examples and Features**

- $\blacksquare$  m examples:  $(x^{(1)}, y^{(1)}), (x^{(2)}, y^{(2)}), \dots, (x^{(m)}, y^{(m)})$
- n features

$$x^{(i)} = \begin{bmatrix} x_0^{(i)} \\ x_1^{(i)} \\ x_2^{(i)} \\ \vdots \\ x_n^{(i)} \end{bmatrix} \in R^{n+1},$$

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x^{(1)} \end{pmatrix}^T \\ \begin{pmatrix} x^{(2)} \end{pmatrix}^T \\ \vdots \\ \begin{pmatrix} x^{(m)} \end{pmatrix}^T \end{bmatrix} \in R^{m \times (n+1)}$$

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} y^{(1)} \\ y^{(2)} \\ \vdots \\ y^{(m)} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

$$\bullet \qquad \theta = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$$



#### **Examples and Features**

- $\blacksquare$  m examples:  $(x^{(1)}, y^{(1)}), (x^{(2)}, y^{(2)}), \dots, (x^{(m)}, y^{(m)})$
- One feature

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1^{(1)} \\ 1 & x_1^{(2)} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_1^{(m)} \end{bmatrix} \in R^{m \times 2}$$



# **Gradient Descent vs Normal Equation**

 $\blacksquare$  m examples and n features

Gradient Descent	Normal Equation	
Need to choose $\alpha$	No need to choose $\alpha$	
Needs many iterations	No need to iterate	
	Need to compute $(X^TX)^{-1}$ ( $\rightarrow O(n^3)$ )	
Works well even when $n$ is large	Slow if $n$ is very large	



# **Normal Equation**

- - What if  $X^TX$  is non-invertible? (i.e.  $(X^TX)^{-1}$  does not exist)
    - Singular or degenerate
      - Pseudo inverse

- Singular  $X^TX$ 
  - Redundant features (linearly dependent)
    - e.g.  $x_1$  = size in feet<sup>2</sup>
    - $x_2 = \text{size in } m^2$
    - $x_1 = (3.28)^2 * x_2$
  - Too many features (e.g.  $m \le n$ )
    - Delete some features, or use regularization



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